

12. (New) A method for forming bleached Arundo donax pulp, comprising:

(a) subjecting a furnish comprising Arundo donax particles to a pulping process to provide Arundo donax pulp, wherein the pulping process comprises cooking the furnish using an H-factor of about 850; and

(b) bleaching the Arundo donax pulp by a total chlorine free process to provide a bleached pulp.

a<sup>2</sup> 13. (New) The method of Claim 12, wherein the bleached pulp has a brightness of at least about 60%.

14. (New) The method of Claim 12, wherein the bleached pulp has a brightness of at least about 70%.

15. (New) The method of Claim 12, wherein the bleached pulp has a brightness of at least about 85%.